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MUSIC MEMORY CONTEST

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GRAYLING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

"INDIAN LAMENT" BY DVORAK.
DVORAK, BOHEMIAN, 1841-1904.

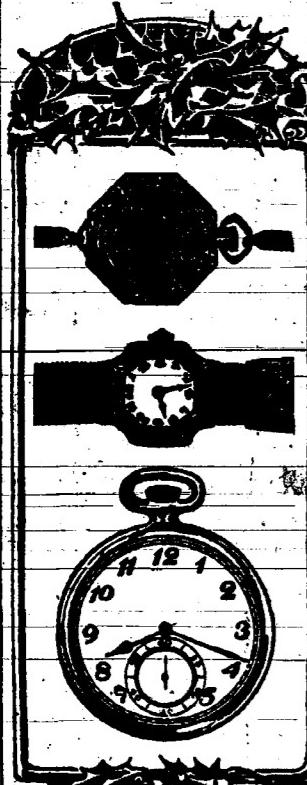
Study for Week Ending Dec. 8.

Dvorak, Antonin (Dvorzhak), born at Mulihausen, near Kraly, in Bohemia (Czechoslovakia), was the most famous of Bohemian Composers. His father, a butcher and innkeeper, wanted him also to become a butcher. The bands of strolling musicians who used to come around on great occasions and play in the inn roused the boy's musical ambition and he induced the village schoolmaster to teach him to sing and to play the violin. At 16 he entered the Prague Organ School and graduated there. No composer encountered more poverty in his early years.

The genius of Dvorak fed on the life and nature about him. A peculiar wistfulness is in his music, a simple, confounding appeal which seems to have come not merely from the man but from his race. The striking characteristic of his music melodic invention. The imaginative faculty is strongly developed so that he is at his best when treating subjects in which romantic elements are prominent.

In 1892 Dvorak was invited to visit this country as director of the National Conservatory of Music in New York. Just as in the past he based his music on melodies he heard about him, so also did he in America, which accounts for the use of the Negro spiritual in the first movement of his greatest

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have your books open during examinations?

Frank S. (taken unawares) Yes, I generally try to.

A little boy was asked to use the words horse and cornet in the same sentence.

He made the following reply—We give our horse corn at noon and by night he generally has his cornet.

It's too deep for me said the man as he slowly sank to the bottom.

G—E—A—Y—Gray

L—I—N—G—Ling

Grayling.

That's the way to spell it.

That's the way to yell it.

Grayling.

VEA TEAM, Let's Go.

This doesn't apply only to the Basket Ball Teams, but also to the rooters. The teams have already started out with lots of VIM and PEP and it's up to every one else to keep up the spirit. From now on each week a new yell will appear in the P. O. P.

We will expect every student to save them and learn them. What's the use of having a mass meeting if no one knows the yells? Get busy and let's show the other towns what Grayling is made of.

Leading astronomers tell us that men's destinies are spelled by their initials. We take pleasure in producing the following list:

Frank Schmidt—Famous Singer.

Finley Klingensmith—Ford King.

Hermon Hanson—Happy Hobo.

Farnham Matson—Famous Moon-

shiner.

Clarence Ingalls—Card Idolizer.

Don Reynolds—Daring Robber.

Edgar McPhee—Elegant Milkman.

Gerald Brenner—Great Basket Ball player.

Aubrey Barret—Artful Bandit.

Here is the Line-up:

"Guy" Hanson—Center.

"Pete" Brown—Forward.

"Mac" Landsberg—Forward.

"Mac" Matson—Forward.

"Mac" Ingalls—Guard.

"Mac" McPhee—Guard.

"Wac" LaGrove—Sub.

"Mike" Brenner—Sub.

Miss Gneich—What do you expect to be when you get out of school?

Finley—An old man.

As Plato the great philosopher once said—"You can string beans and kid gloves, but you can't bull-frogs."

Miss Bellows—Why do sculptors die the most horrible deaths?

John Phelps—Because they make faces and busts.

Miss Estabrook—Now take, for instance, this sentence—"Let the cow out of the lot." What Mood?

Russell Yahr—The Cow.

Miss Shaw has returned to school after a siege of chicken-pox.

Mrs. Gibbons expects to visit Hilldale during vacation.

The Girl's Basket Ball Team is now under the management of Supt. B. E. Smith.

Mat Bidivis has returned to school after being confined to his home with chicken-pox.

Everyone is kindly requested to remember that the side-walks were made to walk on. Please remember this.

We take pleasure in informing the students of the school that the cooking class is coming along fine.

Here is a list of dishes they have already made:

Rice with caramel sauce.

Cream of wheat with chocolate sauce.

Cream Carrot.

Sweet potato puffs.

Baked Squash.

Cream pea soup.

Toast with cheese sauce.

Toast with egg sauce.

Candied sweet potatoes.

They are waiting for an ice box to come so that they can make salads.

Foolishness.

Could you imagine

Margery and Marion leaving their powder puffs at home,

Francelia wearing a green sweater to school.

A Sophomore chumming with an eighth grader. (Ask Emma Hum.)

Kristine Salling being just five feet tall. (B.B. Center.)

Lucilda staying home two nights a week. (Impossible.)

Eunice Scriber and Helen Smith enjoying a movie.

Mrs. Gibbons smiling.

The G. H. S.—Orchestra being pep-less.

Miss Gidson—"What is a humanitarian?"

Fern Hum—"A human Man."

Sadie—"Is that all the books you're going to take home?"

Loretta—"No, I've got Silas Marner in my pocket."

We suggest JOHN PHELPS for cheer leader, let's go.

Some new information about literature:

The most cheerful author—Samuel Smiles.

The noisiest author—Howell.

The most flowery author—Hawthorne.

The holiest author—Pope.

The most amusing author—Thomas Tickell.

The happiest author—Gay.

The most fiery author—Burns.

The most talkative author—Chatterton.

The most distressed author—Aken-side.

Teacher—Your poems should be written so that the most stupid people can read them.

Pupil—What part don't you understand?

How much does Dayton, O?

What did St. Louis, Mo?

Why is Chicago, Ill?

Are there flowers in Wilmington, Del?

Whom did Jackson, Miss?

Who's in the Philadelphia, Penn?

Who made the Topeka, Kan?

Miss Fuller—Sick yesterday, eh?

But how is it that I met you going down the street?

John—Oh, that was when I was going for the doctor.

Miss Estabrook—The Japanese lan-

guage is the only language that has no vulgar words.

Lyle—Then how do they start their Ford on a cold morning?

Miss Bellows—Do you generally

FARM BUREAU NOTES

R. D. BAILEY
County Agricultural Agent

LIMESTONE LEGUMES LIVESTOCK

MEAN PROFITS IN FARMING

Progress in Crawford County.

"Keep pushing;
Tis wiser than sitting aside,
And sighing and watching and waiting
the tide.

In life's earnest battle
They only prevail
Who daily march onward,
And never say fail."

"Daily march onward, and never
say fail," that's the idea!

There is a rising tide of farmers
in Crawford County, who believe in doing that very thing.

While there is always plenty of trouble to keep us humble; yet, this has, on the whole, been a forward year for Crawford County.

Please don't shout!
In trying to enumerate a few of the accomplishments of our folks, it is only human that something will unintentionally be overlooked and omitted that is entirely worthy to be included.

If good things have been done by someone, and mention not made of it, will the deer please not hit us with a brick? We meant no harm.

Fine New Farm House.

Maple Forest leads off with the most expensive improvement of the year among farms. Mr. C. Fink has erected, on M18, a fine modern house, as the beginning of a series of improvements, consisting of liming the soil, new fence, new barn, new poultry house, new garage, new trees added to the present orchard.

In company with Mr. William G. Feldhauser I went all over this house, and I feel proud of this valuable acquisition to the fertile township of Maple Forest.

I found a cellar under the whole house, with walls, straight down, of concrete blocks.

In the cellar is a splendid furnace. All this is as it should be. The cellar is the cheapest room in the house.

Fuel should be burned in the cellar, in this region of cold winters, so that the heat, that naturally rises will be on our feet, where we need it, instead of on our heads, where we generally have it. In the Fink house, room has been skillfully used—no waste spaces. A closet for each bedroom was not forgotten. The archway, supported by pillars, between dining and sitting room is so much better than a solid partition with a door. The neat southern-pine woodwork and hard plaster within; the comfortable verandas and the tasty paint without finish up this new arrival in great shape.

Signs point to the conclusion that Mr. and Mrs. Fink intend to bring in Maple Forest strictly modern ideas, and that they intend to organize the whole farm along modern lines not overlooking neatness and beauty.

Now, if the Finks will give their new home a truly appropriate name, and use that name on letter head, and artistic name board on house or tree they will help forward a movement too much neglected.

Every Farm Named—Why Not?

I like to see farms named, and the name used on a select letter head, on choice paper, and displayed on a neat sign on the premises.

It's a sign of pride in your farm. For my own farm I have for years used the name "Groveland," and use it on a neat letter head and on a swinging sign on the porch.

One of my sons uses the name "Eastlawn." The Merrills used "Pinelawn." Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Feldhauser, "Elmview." Hugo Scriber, Jr., "Evergreen Farm."

Who else will name the farm and put out a neat sign? I have a list of 5000 appropriate names to show people.

There ought to be 200 farms in this county named before Christmas.

I will put them in "Farm Bureau Notes" as fast as you report them.

Other Homes.

The fine large house on the Rufus Edmonds farm is fast nearing completion. Robert Feldhauser in building a substantial house near Ed. Feldhauser's. Frank Bridges is making cement blocks for a modern house.

Haley Diltz has completed a large attractive cement block house, six miles east of Grayling that ought to be inspected by prospective home builders.

Good sand and gravel are so abundant here that more and more of our buildings from smallest to largest, ought to be of these.

We cannot too strongly praise Mr. and Mrs. Diltz for their courage in beautifying the scenery of Sibley with a house equal in appearance to many found in the city.

Ben Neelin has put up a neat log house that will probably be the envy of summer visitors.

The W. G. Feldhauser, Archie Howe

Michigan Happenings

Governors of several states will be requested to return to Michigan 64 alleged radicals wanted as alleged violators of the anti-hydraulic law. O. L. Smith, assistant attorney general has announced. Rose Pastor Stokes is one of those wanted. She is alleged to have participated with William Z. Foster, C. E. Rutherford and others, in a meeting of the Communist Party of America, in Berrien county, last August. The meeting was raided and 22 alleged radicals arrested.

Fixing of fuel prices by the state will begin Dec. 1 in every community where it appears dealers are exacting unreasonable prices. This is the order contained in a letter sent to all county fuel administrators by William W. Potter, state fuel administrator. It is the result of an investigation just completed which shows that in some communities the request of the administrator for a price based on the average margin of profit taken in 1921-1922 has been ignored.

Young men on Michigan farms who are deterred from assembling homemade radio receiving sets by lack of experience will be given an opportunity to learn how, if they attend the special short courses at M. A. C. this winter. Announcement of plans to make this possible was given out by Ashley M. Berridge, assistant director of winter courses. Plans and materials for radio instruction will be furnished by the farm mechanics department.

Fifty thousand dollars was paid by Frank E. Beatty, president of the R. M. Kellogg Co., fruit growers of Three Rivers, for one strawberry plant. The plant is to be known as "Rockhill," in honor of the breeder, Harlow Rockhill, of Conrad, Ia. The "Rockhill" variety bears in the early summer the same as the ordinary strawberry plant, but during the late summer again begins bearing and continues until frost stops the growth of the fruit.

Pointing out that the city's experience in the primary and general elections this fall shows that \$9,500 can be saved annually by the use of voting machines, City Manager Fred H. Locke of Grand Rapids has submitted to the city commission a detailed statement of the expenses and economies he believes would result in the use of the machines. Only six machines were used in the experiment. There are 73 precincts in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Minnie Tooley, of Owosso got a divorce decree in circuit court at Corunna on her testimony that her husband, George, after winning her hand by repairing her house, sank his nose in his newspaper and "wasn't no company at all." Mrs. Tooley admitted she kept George waiting for a year, to win \$25 which her employer promised on those conditions.

Arthur Mahon and Norman Weldon of Lansing, who waived examination when taken before Justice J. C. Nichols at Charlotte on the charge of stealing 25 chickens, valued at \$50, from Samuel White, of Windsor township, and were bound over to circuit court on grand larceny charge, pleaded guilty when arraigned before Judge Smith.

The Michigan State Good Roads association meeting in Grand Rapids re-elected Philip T. Colgrave, of Hastings, as president of the organization for the eighteenth consecutive time. Other officers re-elected are: Vice president, Nathan P. Hall; Diamond; secretary, H. G. Hayes; Hastings; treasurer, J. Edward Roe; Lansing.

Charges brought by Frank L. Tressler of Chicago against Alva P. Shriver, of Ann Arbor, in a suit for \$25,000, that Shriver alienated the affections of Mrs. Catharine Tressler by promising to buy her an automobile and to make her children his heirs, will be heard in the December term of circuit court at Ann Arbor.

Albert E. Stevenson, official of the Michigan State Fair and prominent in Democratic circles, narrowly escaped death recently at Amherstburg, Ont., where he was attacked by an infuriated cow. He is recovering at his home near Port Huron.

Homer M. Quay, Cheboygan attorney, having served the county's as judge of probate and prosecuting attorney for several terms, is to close his offices there, January 1, to enter the department of the attorney general at Lansing.

The body of Oscar Alfredson, of Iron River, was found 12 miles from there in the woods by hunters. Alfredson had been hunting deer and became separated from his party. He wandered 45 hours, lost in a deep thicket. He died of fatigue and exposure.

Harry W. Jackson, Muskegon, prosecuting attorney, says a lawyer gave the tip that resulted in the arrest of a moonshiner and later came into court and defended the man.

Bachman's new high school building completed at a cost of more than \$200,000, has been opened for classes. The building was delayed in construction since September. Classes have been held in local churches and vacant school buildings.

Oscar Otto Bryan, alleged kidnapper of his wife, May Myrtle, will stand trial in circuit court at Monroe, Jan. 15, it was announced yesterday. Bryan, 32, was captured and killed his wife, May Myrtle, in October.



UNUSUAL HAPPENINGS AND OTHER BRIEF NEWS

Church May Cause Hospitality. London—The historic old church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, which has for many years provided lodgings for the homeless, may cease its nightly hospitality. "Too many tramps and revellers are filling the church each night," Rev. Dick Smith, the vicar, says.

Shattuck Quits Grain Corporation. Washington—Edwin P. Shattuck, of New York, president of the United States Grain Corporation, has resigned his position. Shattuck succeeded Julius Barnes, now president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, when liquidation of the corporation's affairs was decided on in 1920.

Skunks Spoil Star-Gazing Walks. Auburn, N. Y.—No more star-gazing walks for Aurora college maidens these Indian summer nights. The ubiquitous mephitis mephitis holds the answer. Yes, ma'am, that means skunks. So thick is the skunk population in Cayuga county this fall that it's dangerous to stroll abroad in the moonlight.

Senator Lodge Contributed \$3,920. Washington—Expenditures of \$3,920, consisting of contributions to state and municipal republican committees and to Republican clubs, were listed by Senator Lodge, Republican, Massachusetts, in a final campaign expense account filed with the clerk of the senate. The senator noted no contributions.

Boys Form Ku Klux Branch. Bucyrus, Ohio—The "E. Z. P." club, comprising 13 members, all schoolboys in the upper grades, has been organized here. The youngsters call themselves a "branch of the Ku Klux Klan." Officers of the club are: H. C. Stevens, ace; W. C. Beer, Jr., king, and Cecil Rhodes, Jack. The officers were chosen by cutting a pack of cards.

Youthful Auto-Thief Caught. Philadelphia—George Kreider, a 16-year-old boy, who has confessed, according to police, to being a member of a gang of youthful thieves who steal on an average of three automobiles a day for joyrides, and, after stripping the cars of tires and other accessories, abandon them, was arrested after an exciting chase around Logan circle.

Can Analyze Breath in Air. Paris—Analyses of air breathed by criminals is the newest aid to the French police in identifying them. The police scientifically examine the air in the room in which a crime has been committed, then examine the suspect and know positively whether he breathed in that room. If the man exhaled, he might as well have left his visiting card.

Refuses Food, Starves to Death. Reno, Nev.—Mrs. Pearl A. Cochran, 35 years old, is dead here from a self-imposed fast. Her physician said she had not taken food for 50 days. A year ago Mrs. Cochran had her attorney swear out a warrant charging her with insanity, but at the same time she was regarded as sane. She told her attorney and her physician food eventually would kill her.

Would Punish Jazzers-of-Class. Paris—Jazzing the classics may soon become a crime in Paris if a law advocated by the Society of Authors and Composers is passed by Parliament. Director Rouche of the Opera, visiting the So-Different society, dance hall, was scandalized to hear the negro orchestra jazz the Funeral March from Saul. He protested, but the managers laughed.

Women Peer Tonsorial Artists. London—"Women are no good as barbers, they are unreliable and erratic, as most women are in work. Their skill may be remarkable today, but positively dangerous tomorrow." This is the challenging reason given for the official exclusion of women from the ancient profession of hairdressing by John Symonds, president of the Hairdressers' Association, who contends that only men can make efficient barbers.

Unlucky Man Won't Tell Name. Greenwich, Conn.—No luck at all—he had no luck at all. Card-sharps won his pigs. His best chickens died of the "plop." He put up his best horses against "magical dice" and lost. He lost his wife, but wouldn't tell how. And then, when he was driving his only horse, which was limping, he was arrested on complaint of Mrs. Ida McClusky for cruelty to animals. "I'm so unlucky, I won't even tell my name," he said.

Big Rush For Floating Rum. Simcoe, Ont.—Above the beach near Port Rowan, on Lake Erie, where the steamer City of Dresden went aground and was abandoned with its cargo of 500 cases of Canadian whisky, a line of motor cars waited while their occupants waded out into the icy water to fish for bottles of liquor. The ship, which was condemned 20 years ago when her captain, J. S. McQueen of Amherstburg, bought and refitted her, broke up rapidly and hundreds of bottles of whisky drifted to shore.

Find Typewriter on Payroll. Chicago—A typewriter has been carried on the payroll as a stenographer in the municipal contagious disease hospital, investigators engaged to check the institution's records say. The disclosure that \$80 a month was paid to the typewriting machine was made when search began for "Elsie Smith," to whom checks were drawn. Her address proved to be an automobile sales room. The check had been endorsed to a man who once was a steward in the hospital.

Museum Holds Mushroom Exhibit. Paris—For the first time since the beginning of the war the custom of holding a comparative exhibition of edible and poisonous mushrooms has been revived at the Museum of Natural History in Paris. M. Mangin, director of the institution, has gathered together 400 different species, varying in size, from a pinhead to plants weighing more than two pounds. The mushrooms are labeled and placed in the exhibit in sections, according to their food value and poison danger.

Perfect One-Ounce Baby Born. Washington—The birth of a perfectly formed baby two and one-quarter inches tall and weighing slightly more than one ounce was reported from Tokyo. The baby was born to the Japanese wife of a Chinese, near Takao, in the Island of Formosa. The legs and feet were said to have been about one-half inch in length, the arm and hands less than one-half inch and the neck and head under a half inch. The child's head was three-quarters of an inch long. The infant was still-born.

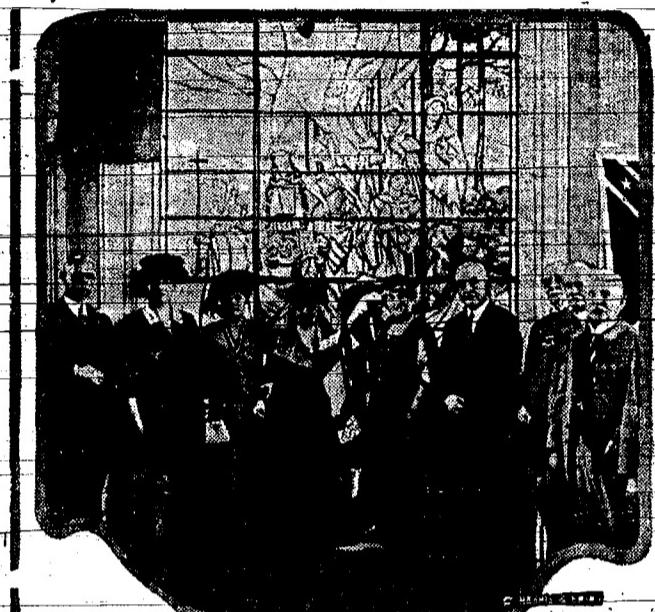
MUCH IN LITTLE

Roll Call of Red Cross Began on Armistice Day

Miss Clara D. Nease, director of the American Red Cross nursing service, displaying at the National Red Cross headquarters one of the posters for the 1923 roll-call period from November 11, Armistice day to Thanksgiving. Above, a group of Washington society girls on board the President's yacht Mayflower, rolling the cook.



Memorial to the Southern Women



HORSEWHIPPED, HE SUES



Theodore Schiermann, mayor of Liberty, Kan., was taken by a band of unmasked men from his place of business and horsewhipped, because, they told him, he was voicing opinions against the Ku Klux Klan, and because he rented his open house to a candidate for district judge to make an anti Ku Klux Klan speech. He is suing the township of Liberty for \$10,000 for the attack.

GETS A CROWN AT LAST



London Zoo Gets Pigmy Elephant



The first pigmy elephant ever sent from Africa recently arrived at the London zoo. It was shipped from the French gaboon. The adult male parent of this baby elephant was shot and measured only six feet high. The baby is but two years old and stands only three feet high.

Pershing Gets Louisiana Ducks



General Pershing has been enjoying a hunting trip with Governor Parker of Louisiana in the swamps of that state near New Orleans and reports are that he has been bringing in his quota each day. Here are the general and his guide waiting for an approaching flock.

MUCH IN LITTLE

British Columbia has probably the richest fisheries in the world.

The United States army air service

has 600 planes in active service.

Small factories can produce a clear

strip of excellent flavor from sweet

potatoes.

The "blacklist" list of the United

States army is still published in the

Congressional Record in Washington,

D. C.

Women members of the Polish

chamber of deputies are credited with

the recent enactment of restrictive

liquor laws in that country.

The potato is a native of Chile and

an ordinary house averages a ran-

Here is a new variety of chrysanthemum named for Mrs. Harding, wife of the President, and exhibited at the show of the Department of Agriculture in Washington.

Cost of Gas in 1828

When illuminating gas was first installed in New York city in 1828, the price was \$10 a thousand cubic feet. In addition, the consumer had to pay rental for the meter and for the fixtures, which were owned by the gas company.

A "Prize" of Novelties

At one hundred and ten years of age, the Indian chief Shalimain wears the skever of carved walrus ivory, piercing his lower lip, which only rep-

lace could wear in his tribe.

Your Christmas Store

*Christmas...
Is almost here*

Be sure to see our complete line of Holiday Goods—

- Ivory
- Toilet Sets
- Leather Goods
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- Fine Candies
- Fine Stationery
- Cigars
- Victrolas and Records
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- Parker Pens and Pencils
- and Xmas Decorations.

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One Year	\$2.00
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O. P. Schumann, Editor and Proprietor

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1922

WHITTIER SAYS: "The child must teach the man." And those of us who have children of school age must admit, if we are fair about it, that that saying is true. It makes no difference how enlightened parents may be; they can frequently learn things from their children that are well worth knowing.

However it is generally expected that children, in their freedom from responsibilities, sometimes get into mischief and even, at times, become destructive in spite of their home training and culture. But when, as in an instance that recently happened, it proves that the child is the example and grown-ups the offenders, it only proves that some elders really need to be taught regard for the rights and property of others, even by their children.

The lawn in the front of the school yard has been very beautiful this past season and now, when wires have been stretched across the corners to keep people from making snow paths across the yards, to protect the tender young grasses that lie beneath the snow, it is found that the pupils of the school are loyal and patriotic in keeping off the yards, while some grown-ups, coming up to the wires, let out a growl and mean remark and then deliberately climb over and cut

the corners, then it seems that the children have a duty to perform at home.

It doesn't seem credible that people of adult age should be so lawless as to do the thing that they may easily understand should not be done. The school children are entitled to much credit for the honor they have shown at the school yard and for their appreciation of these nice things and for trying to preserve them. Let parents take heed lest they be scoffed at by the youngsters up at the big brick building. Continued disregard for this matter is surely going to bring down the wrath of the children upon the offenders, and they will deserve every bit of it too.

YOUNG LADY DIES IN DETROIT.

The household of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Robertson is saddened by the sudden passing of their oldest daughter, Miss Flavia Robertson, whose death occurred in Detroit Wednesday evening of last week. The young lady had been ailing for over a year with sugar diabetes, but was able to continue her employment with the Park Davis Co. in that city. On Friday she worked as usual but the following day became suddenly ill and passed away at 8:30 Wednesday evening, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Arthur Anderson where she made her home. Mrs. Robertson went to the bedside of her daughter Monday night. Miss Robertson was of a very ambitious nature. She was never heard to complain altho it was known by her relatives and friends that she had long been a patient sufferer. She was a thoughtful and loving young woman and her parents, sister and brothers are grief-stricken over her death.

Altogether Miss Robertson had only made visits to her home here during the summer and holidays, having been

in an effort to determine, if possible, the most frequent causes of the serious automobile accidents which are increasing at such an alarming rate on all the country roads, Col. Roy C. Vandercook of the Michigan Department of Public Safety is preparing to send out a questionnaire to local and county officers, automobile club officials and such others as may be possessed of information, for the purpose of securing data of how most of the accidents happen.

"There has been a good deal of talk to the effect that the state speed limit, which was increased from 25 miles to 35 by the last legislature, may be responsible for the greatly increasing number of accidents," says Colonel Vandercook. "It is my impression that the speed of cars, at least out in the open, has little to do with most of the accidents which happen. It may be that speed over crossings, through intersections, or when automobiles are meeting may cause accidents, and it may be that some restrictive legislation to cover such times may be necessary, but I hardly believe that a general restriction of speed would make much difference.

Mrs. Louis Gardner has been confined to her home by sickness.

Mrs. Frank Monroe has returned after a lengthy visit at Big Rapids and Mecosta.

H. L. Abrahams got stalled in a snow drift last Saturday and had to be towed to town.

The Armstrong family are occupying the Cobb farm.

The moving picture show advertised for tonight by Mr. Bailey was postponed indefinitely.

Mrs. Day who went to Owosso last week has returned bringing a very bad cold back with her.

CHRISTMAS SEALS HELP TO SAVE THE CHILDREN



Florabel Jessica Jane is chasing the cure in the children's infirmary at the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium. She has her rest periods twice a day, and takes her "temp" every afternoon; and she is beloved of every small maiden in the girls' infirmary. Seventy children are now being cared for in the children's infirmary at Howell. Tuberculosis is a deadly menace to childhood. Christmas seals, which make possible the work of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association, fight to keep children so healthy and strong that they can throw off the effects of the omnipresent infection.

HERE'S PROOF.

A Grayling Citizen Tells of His Experience.

You have a right to doubt statements of people living far away but can you doubt Grayling-endorsement?

Geo. A. Collen, proprietor, restaurant, Spruce St., says: "My back was a constant source of discomfort. It ached terribly through the small part and was sore. The kidney secretions were too frequent in action and were highly colored but a box of Doan's Kidney Pills which I got at Lewis' Drug Store proved sufficient to cure the complaint. I recommend Doan's as a reliable remedy."

Mr. Collen gave the above statement October 11, 1916 and on April 28, 1920 he added: "Doan's Kidney Pills fixed me up in good shape and my cure has lasted. I am glad to again recommend Doan's."

Price 40¢ at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Collen had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mrs. Buffalo, N. Y.

Most Girls Can Have Pretty Eyes

No girl or woman is pretty if her eyes are red, strained or have dark rings. Simple camphor, hydriatic, witch hazel, etc., as mixed in Levoptik eye wash, will brighten the eyes and a week's use will surprise you with its QUICK results. Regular use of Levoptik keeps the eyes healthy, sparkling and vivacious. The quick change will please you. Delightful aluminum eye cup FREE.

AUTO ACCIDENTS ARE INCREASING

COL. R. C. VANDERCOOK, HEAD OF STATE SAFETY DEPARTMENT, SEEKS DATA ON CAUSES.

MAY ASK FOR LEGISLATION

One Adviser Suggests Danger Signals and Tail Lights Should Not Be of Same Color.

In an effort to determine, if possible, the most frequent causes of the serious automobile accidents which are increasing at such an alarming rate on all the country roads, Col. Roy C. Vandercook of the Michigan Department of Public Safety is preparing to send out a questionnaire to local and county officers, automobile club officials and such others as may be possessed of information, for the purpose of securing data of how most of the accidents happen.

"There has been a good deal of talk to the effect that the state speed limit, which was increased from 25 miles to 35 by the last legislature, may be responsible for the greatly increasing number of accidents," says Colonel Vandercook. "It is my impression that the speed of cars, at least out in the open, has little to do with most of the accidents which happen. It may be that speed over crossings, through intersections, or when automobiles are meeting may cause accidents, and it may be that some restrictive legislation to cover such times may be necessary, but I hardly believe that a general restriction of speed would make much difference.

Charles Chase of Deward, has been making his mother Mrs. Henry Leaman a visit this week.

Incidents Increase.

It is absolutely true, however, that automobile accidents have increased this summer at a rate which is positively appalling. I have felt that a tabulation of state-wide statistics on the cause of accidents may develop something which will throw some light on the situation. If the information which I am going to ask should develop anything which might be reached by legislation I will put it up to the next legislature. If there is nothing which can be reached by law, we will continue our campaign to educate motorists to use more care. We certainly must do everything possible to curb the accidents which are taking such a toll in life and property.

Michigan trunk highways were the scene of a number of serious accidents over the Labor Day period, when traffic was much heavier than normal. Motorists going into Detroit from the center of the state by one main highway saw three wrecks in the ditch. One car, a big closed machine, had been tossed into the ditch by a railway train at a crossing and had burned. Two others had suffered collisions with other cars and had burned. On another road one car had been struck by an interurban, killing several people, the wreck tearing up the ground and wrecking telephone posts until the scene looked like the scene of a cyclone, while another had been in collision and had burned in the ditch. These five wrecks were the result of accidents occurring in two or three days and on but two of the many main highways.

One suggestion.

One suggestion which has been made to the commissioner has food for thought in it, although it would probably be impossible of adoption without long preparation, and that is that the color of the tail-light be changed from red to some other color which is not in such general use for other purposes.

Several cases have been reported to Colonel Vandercook where drivers, seeing a red light ahead, have taken the light for the receding tail-light of another machine, only to find when too late to stop that the red gleam was from a danger signal on an obstructed road.

There would undoubtedly be serious complications attending any effort to change the color of the tail-light at least without general co-operation with other states and with the manufacturers of automobiles. Michigan could not prescribe one color of tail-light while surrounding states specified another, because too many automobiles are used in interstate travel and endless confusion would result.

At the same time there is considerable weight in the suggestion for a change and the matter may be taken up with other State Police forces and with manufacturers.

In the meantime Colonel Vander-

cook is giving much attention to the matter of automobile accidents, in the hope of finding some method of cutting their number.

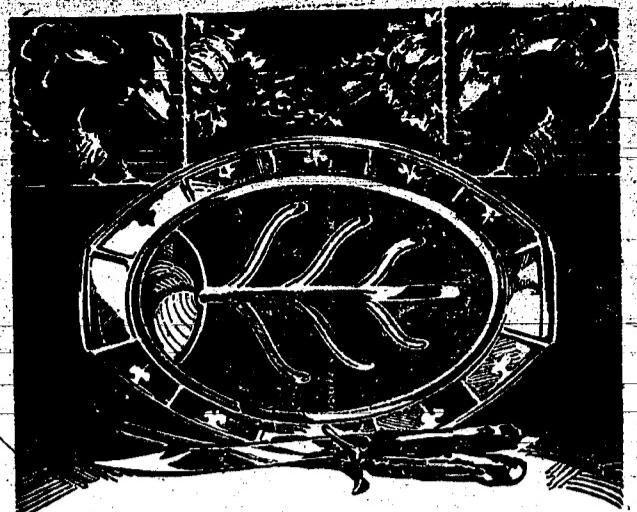
ARSON ARRESTS ARE BENEFIT TO FARMERS

In one district of New Jersey it has been the custom for many years for the insurance companies to refuse insurance to farmers because of the known fact that there were many brush fires in which barns and even houses were consumed, which were due to revenge. The New Jersey state police investigated and made many arrests resulting in convictions. As a result rural fires in this section have diminished and insurance companies are now sending their agents in to write insurance again.

A TIMELY SUGGESTION.

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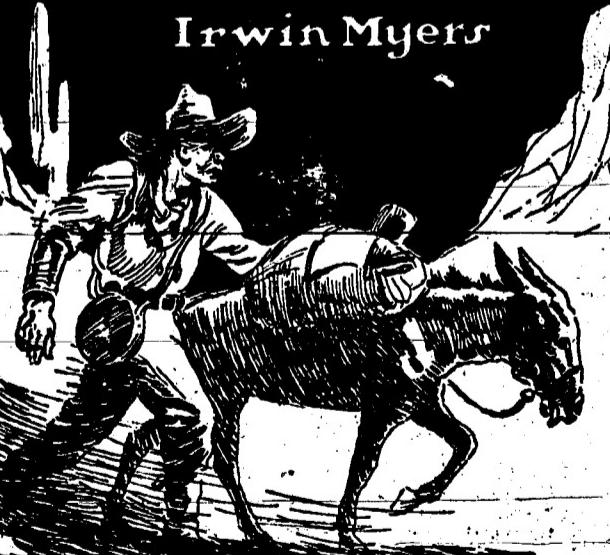
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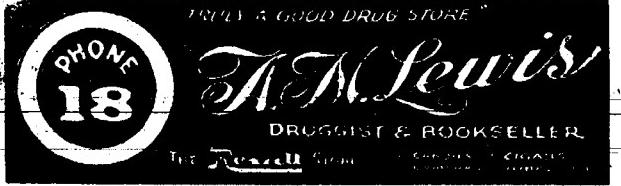


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LOCAL NEWS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1922.

A broken casting on the Linotype this afternoon put it out of business until a new part can be supplied, and a number of news items must go unpublished this issue because of it:

Prescriptions carefully compounded. Central Drug Store.

Miss Margaret Kerrigan is slowly improving at Mercy Hospital.

There will be election of officers at the Masonic Lodge this week Thursday night.

Miss Hazel Abbott of Ludington is the guest of Miss Kathryn Clark over Thanksgiving.

Election of officers will be held at the Odd Fellows Lodge next week Tuesday night.

Mrs. H. A. Pond returned last Wednesday from a visit with her daughter Mrs. E. W. Brady at Kingsley.

Jens Hanson is quite ill at his farm home in Beaver Creek township. Miss Maud Tetu, trained nurse is caring for him.

Why not buy that Radio outfit now, for Christmas? Complete outfits set up and ready to operate. Oscar Deckrow, phone 284 or 274.

Harry Ward and family recently moved to Caro where the former is employed for an Automobile company, making automobile tops. Their son Carl is employed in Detroit.

Carl Mork, who was in Grayling last week owing to the serious illness of his mother Mrs. Martha Anderson was called back from Detroit again this week. Mrs. Mork is also in the city.

Miss Dorothy Peterson was hostess to a number of young ladies and gentlemen last Friday evening at the Moose Hall, the occasion being her birthday anniversary. Decorations of orange crepe paper about the rooms were most effective. Mrs. John Benson, mother of Miss Peterson served a most delicious lunch to the guests.

Nyal Laxacold. The guaranteed cold remedy. Central Drug Store.

Do your Xmas shopping early at Central Drug Store.

Dolls! Dolls! Dolls! Nicely dressed—all kinds and sizes. Little girls be sure and see them.

Farnham Mataon left Wednesday afternoon to spend a few days with his sister Miss Janet who is employed in Flint.

The three months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Diltz died at their home Monday having been in frail health since its birth.

Mose Woods returned Tuesday from Detroit where he had been employed.

Harry Prescott, son of Mrs. George Burke is ill and receiving treatment at Mercy Hospital.

Miss Blanche Blondin who has been visiting at the home of her sister Mrs. Daniel Hoesli for a long time returned to Bay City the latter part of the week to resume her work.

Mrs. Arthur Anderson and little son of Detroit, who came to Grayling to attend the funeral of her sister, Miss Flavia Robertson, will remain over Thanksgiving to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Robertson.

John Holliday was in Grayling over Sunday shaking hands with friends, enroute from the Upper Peninsula, where he enjoyed a deer hunting trip. While here he was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willis H. Ketabek.

Mrs. George A. Barber of Cheboygan will be in Grayling all next week, beginning Monday, with a full line of embroidered and stamped goods. Mrs. Barber has been in Grayling before with her fine line and patrons of this city.

Miss Ruth Brenner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Brenner, surprised her friends the latter part of the week when she announced her marriage to Mr. Wesley Woods son of Mr. and Mrs. John Woods. The wedding which took place at Gaylord, October 17, was kept a secret by the young people. Mr. Wood left for Detroit the fore part of last week, where he had accepted a position and Saturday was joined by Mrs. Wood, who resigned her position as clerk at the Grayling Mercantile Co., where she has been employed the past few years. Both are fine young people and were popular among their friends and have the well wishes of many.

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They were also shown how presses operate and how type is set by machinery—the Linotype way.

An effort was made to teach the class in the 45 minutes that were allowed them what it takes an apprentice several years to learn—harmony of types. The class was invited to come again and they promised to do so.

A good crowd was attracted to the Red Cross party at the School gymnasium Tuesday night. Several large Red Cross banners comprised the principal decorations. Music was furnished by the High school orchestra and we want to state that if anyone expected the music was going to be poor, they were greatly mistaken.

Everyone was delighted with the music, and the free and easy manner and cheerful smiles of the musicians kept the crowd in the happy mood for dancing. Delicious hot coffee and doughnuts added to the pleasure of the evening. Crawford county chapter netted about \$40.00 on this venture which is only about half what it should have been, but it helps, and the officials are grateful.

Watch for the date for the Eastern Star bazaar, which will be announced next week in the AVALANCHE.

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The Grayling Telephone company announces that the new telephone directories are completed and subscribers will kindly call at the office for them.

Mac Diarmid candy famed for freshness. Central Drug Store.

E. S. Houghton was in Caro on business the latter part of the week.

Have you written Santa Claus? He will be at the Eastern Star bazaar.

Another new line of Ladies' dresses and blouses just in. Grayling Mercantile Co.

Mrs. Marius Hanson returned Friday from a two weeks visit with friends in Detroit.

Mrs. Emma Milner is spending the week with her daughter Mrs. A. J. Melvin in Detroit.

Mrs. Sidney Graham of Detroit is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rasmus Hanson, over Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Herman Hiss of Bay City arrived Friday to spend the week with Mrs. R. H. Gillett. Mr. Hiss will arrive the middle of the week to spend Thanksgiving at the Gillett home.

Mrs. Robert Gillett delightedly entertained the ladies of the Bridge club at her home Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Claude R. Keyport held the highest score for bridge and Mrs. Herman Hiss, house guest of Mrs. Gillett received the guest prize. A lovely lunch was served by the hostess.

Mrs. Clarence Mohn of Gaylord, mother of J. W. Letzkus was brought to Grayling Mercy Hospital Friday and lies critically ill. Her son Joseph Letzkus of Bay City has been in Grayling the past few days on account of her illness, and her sister, Mrs. Lou Demerest of West Branch is in the city.

There will be a regular meeting of Grayling Chapter O. E. S. No. 88 on Wednesday evening, Dec. 6th. A good attendance is requested, as there is important business. Worthy matron will give the report from Grand Chapter. We have also bought back the O. E. S. quilt, this will be sold to the highest bidder at this meeting.

The ladies of the Goodfellowship club gave their annual social evening with the gentlemen as guests, Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Marius Hanson. Cards furnished the pleasure of the evening, the high scores being held by Mrs. Herman Hiss of Bay City, a guest of the club, and Dr. C. A. Canfield. A fine luncheon was served by the committee.

Oscar Deckrow has taken the agency for the Gray auto, made in Detroit. These cars are in class with the Chevrolet, Durant and other similar cars, and cost only \$10.00 more than the Star car. He says the Gray is a wonderful car and much easier to ride in than the others because of the cantilever spring it has. He has one of these cars in stock in Grayling.

A. W. Cripps, representative of the Ruggles Motor Co., of Saginaw, has been in the city few days distributing dividend checks to the local stockholders of that company. He says another dividend will be paid in January, which will be glad news to the local share holders. Mr. Cripps is a brother of A. L. and John Cripps of this city.

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Visit the Hat Shop next week, as Mrs. George A. Barber of Cheboygan will be there with a full line of embroidered and stamped goods.

Mrs. Anna Bennett has purchased Charles Turner's house formerly owned by K. Hanson, located across the street from the Trudo bakery.

Ann Arbor, Mich. Nov. 29.—On days when the University of Michigan play football games, Ann Arbor telephone operators handle an average of 25,000 calls a day more than on ordinary days.

Mrs. Andrew Larson and children of Johannesburg are here to visit over Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Peterson. Mr. Larson joined his family here yesterday.

Friday afternoon, December 1st, will be the date of the next meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of the Michigan Memorial church. 2:30 o'clock is the time. All members are expected to be present.

County Road Commissioner John J. Niederer and Supervisor M. A. Bates were in Harrisville first of the week to inspect the interest of the cross state highway which has been mentioned several times before in the AVALANCHE. These gentlemen wish to influence the Boards of Supervisors of the counties thru which this proposed highway is run, to adopt a resolution endorsing the highway. There can be but little doubt as to the value of such a cross state highway at the proposed route. Already there is much travel between Grayling and Traverse City and with the opening of the route east to Lake Huron at Harrisville would add greatly to the pleasure and convenience of the people living in Northern Michigan and those who frequent this region as tourists. Further this highway would open a region of country that is rich in agriculture. Those owning cottages along the AuSable river would be greatly benefited by being able to reach them over improved trunk line highways. A committee from each of the boards of trades of each county along the route intend to wait upon the State Highway department in a body some time in December and place before them the reason why such a highway should be constructed.

Mr. Vincens and Mr. Henry Grandjean, brothers, of Vennerlund, Denmark, are in the city as guests of Mr. C. B. Olearius and also to learn something of America. They are sons of wealthy parents who were desirous that they should gain knowledge from among the working classes and there to learn of the true democracy of this country, instead of judging it from their observations in large city hotels, Pullman trains and association with the type of people who find sufficient diversion of pleasures their greatest hardships. They say they want to become familiar with the people who do things and represent largely the true pulse of the American people. The young men tell that at one time the father of our fellow citizen R. Hanson worked for their grandfather, so now they feel that it would be very fitting that they take employment with Mr. Hanson, and have therefore joined the crew at the planing mill, chosing this place to start their activities of getting acquainted with America and the American people.

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MEETING TO AMEND BOARD OF TRADE BY-LAWS

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This is to notify tax payers of Maple Forest township that I will be at the Bank of Frederic in Frederic beginning with the second Friday in December (Dec. 8, 1922) and continue all day Friday thereafter until January 10. Mrs. James Murphy.

Treasurer Maple Forest Twp.

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FOR HEALTH

Another year has rolled around and again we are reminded that one of the various organizations toward which we are called upon to contribute is making its plea to us.

It is hardly necessary to ask our people to respond to this. They will do so very generously as they have done before. So this is only to remind us of the fact that the campaign for the sale of seals is well underway and will open Thanksgiving Day and continue until Christmas Day.

Indications early in the week were that the bill will be passed by the house, but only after a number of important amendments are added.

Washington—Six amendments to the administration ship subsidy bill were adopted by the house Monday out of more than 30 offered by critics of the measure.

Two of the six amendments were adopted in spite of the opposition of the Republican leaders, while the other four were accepted by them though with some reluctance.

Indications early

THE CROSS-CUT

By Courtney Ryley Cooper

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CHAPTER XVIII—Continued.
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They reached the mouth of the Silver Queen. Harry reconnoitered a moment before he gave the signal to proceed. Within the tunnel they went to follow along its regular, rising course to the stop where, on that gash day when Taylor Bill and Blinney Bozeman had led the enthusiastic parade through the streets, the vein had shown. It was dark there—no one was at work. Harry unhooked his carbide from his belt, lit it and looked around.

"It ain't coming from 'ere!" he announced. "It's—" then his voice dropped to a whisper—"what that?"

Again a rumbling had come from a distance, as of an ore car travelling over the tram tracks. Harry extinguished his light, and drawing Anita and Fairchild far to the end of the slope, fastened them and himself on the ground. A long wait while the rumbling came closer, still closer; then in the distance, a light appeared, shining from a side of the tunnel. A clanging noise, followed by clattering sounds, as though of steel rails hitting against each other. Finally the clanging once more—and the light approached.

Into view came an ore car, and before it loomed the great form of Taylor Bill as he pushed it along. Straight to the pile of ore it came, unhooked the front of the tram, tripped, and piled the contents of the car on top of the dump which already rested there. With that, carbide pointing the way, he turned back, pushing the tram before him. Harry crept to his feet.

"We've got to follow!" he whispered. "A blind entrance to the tunnel somewhere."

They rose and trailed the light along the tracks, fastening themselves against the timbers of the tunnel as the form of Taylor Bill, faintly outlined in the distance, turned from the regular track, opened a great door in the side of the tunnel, which, to all appearances, was nothing more than the ordinary heavy timbering of a weak spot in the rocks, pulled it far back, then swerved the tram within. Then, he stopped and raised a portable switch, throwing it into the opening. A second later the door closed behind him, and the sound of the tram began to fade in the distance. Harry went forward, creeping along the side of the tunnel, feeling his way, stopping to listen now and then for the sound of the fading ore car. Behind him were Fairchild and Anita, following the same procedure. And all three stopped at once.

The hollow sound was audible directly to them now. Harry once more brought out his carbide to light it for a moment and to examine the timbers.

"It's a good job!" he commented. "You couldn't tell it five feet off!"

"They've made a cross-cut!" This time it was Anita's voice, plumb angry in spite of its whispering tones. "No wonder they had such a wonderful strike," came scathingly. "That other stope down there."

"Ain't nothing but a salted proposition," said Harry. "They've come up the top of it with the real stuff and every once in a while they blow a lot of it out and cover it up again to make it look like that's the real vein."

"And they're working our mine!" Red spots of anger were flashing before Fairchild's eyes.

"You've said it! That's why they were so anxious to buy us out. And that's why they started this two-million-dollar stock proposition when they found they couldn't do it. They knew it we ever hit that vein it wouldn't be my time until they'd be caught on the job. That's why they're ready to pull out—with somebody else's million. They're getting at the end of their rope. Another thing; that explains them working at night."

Anita gripped her teeth.

"I see it now—I can get the reason. They've been telephoning Denver and holding conferences and all that sort

of thing. And they planned to leave those two men behind here to take care of me."

"They'll get enough of it!" added Harry grimly. "They're miners. They could not that they were making a straight cross-cut tunnel on to our vein. They ain't no children. Blinney and Taylor Bill. And 'ere's where they start getting their trouble."

He pulled at the door and it yielded easily. The three slipped past, moving along the line of the tram into the darkness. Harry's pick pocketed, standing beside him as they moved along. Rods that seemed to have come from nowhere appeared in the darkness, and he was forced to peer ahead.

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SETTLEMENTS STATE LAND PLAN

PROVIDER AGENCY FOR SURVEY
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SALE FOR FARMS.

WILL PROTECT FARM SETTLERS

Unscrupulous Dealers Have Done
Michigan Great Injury By
Buying Worthless Land.

LANSING.—The land settlement plan being developed by the state department of agriculture, was given the endorsement of real estate men, railroad agents and representatives of local development bureaus from the northern part of the state at a meeting here Monday when the plan was explained and discussed in detail.

One delegate to the meeting declared the Michigan plan was more complete and forward-looking than that being followed by any state in the union.

The plan is for state agricultural and economic agencies to make a survey of the property, which an owner seeks to put on the market, and certify to him what portions if any, of his land are suitable for profitable farming development. Under the plan, the owner pays the cost of the survey, and agrees to withhold from the market non-agricultural land unless said land has been examined by the prospective buyer prior to its purchase.

It was pointed out that while Michigan has more than 6,000,000 acres of good agricultural land in the northern part of the lower peninsula and in the upper peninsula, unscrupulous land dealers have destroyed the confidence of buyers both within and outside the state, to the point that it is now almost impossible to interest them in Michigan's undeveloped land. It is to restore the confidence and place the settlement of good farm land upon a sound scientific basis that the land settlement plan is being worked out.

It was also pointed out that with a definite land settlement policy, the state will be in position to go forward with its reforestation policy, devoting non-agricultural land to the production of new forests.

DENBY FLAYS CADETS FOR ORGY

Rowdyism Follows Wild Rum Party
by Middle.

Washington.—One of the most drastic indictments of American naval cadets ever delivered by a secretary of the navy, came from Secretary Denby Monday in denouncing as "a disgrace upon the naval academy" the misconduct of midshipmen at a navy ball in Philadelphia following the Army-Navy football game last week. The misconduct of the midshipmen is said to have been excessive consumption of intoxicating liquor at a Philadelphia hotel and consequent rowdyism, which Secretary Denby described as "the most flagrant that has ever been charged against the academy."

Secretary Denby has ordered an investigation to be made at once.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Grayling, convened at the Court House, Monday evening, Nov. 20th, 1922.

Meeting called to order by President C. A. Canfield. Roll call of trustees, present: M. A. Atkinson, A. L. Roberts, Mrs. Eva Reagan, Frank Sales, H. E. Simpson. Trustees absent none.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

To the President and members of the Common Council of the Village of Grayling, your committee on finance, claims and accounts respectfully recommend that the bills be allowed as follows:

M. A. Bates, telephone rental Oct. 1st to Dec. 1st, 6 dry cells and repair on alarm 16.50

Federal Sand & Gravel Co., 2 cars Gravel..... 64.54

M. C. R. company, freight 2 cars gravel..... 62.36

Crawford County Road Comm. 4 cars gravel and freight charges..... 256.84

Mich. Inspection Bureau, Standardized threads on fire hose..... 25.00

E. J. du Pont De Nemours Co., 92 lbs cinders at 30¢ per load 27.00

Julius Nelson, pay roll ending October 13th..... 60.75

Julius Nelson, pay roll ending Oct. 21st..... 75.75

Julius Nelson, pay roll ending Nov. 4th..... 68.25

Julius Nelson, pay roll ending Nov. 11th..... 82.20

Grayling Electric Co., service for Oct. and supplies..... 145.16

Tony Nelson, fire report..... 15.00

Frank Sales, M. E. Simpson, Mrs. Eva Reagan.

Committee.

Moved by Sales, supported by Roberts that the accounts be allowed as charged and the clerk is hereby authorized to draw orders in payment of same. Nay and Yeas voted, all members present voting Yeas carried.

Moved and supported that we add another vote carried.

Chris Johnson, Village Clerk.

MEETINGS PAID FOR FUN

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